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To the Readers of this Book:

I fear that some may be disappointed upon seeing the "book" which has been talked about and written about so long. And they may not be without some reason for thus feeling for I am well aware that there are many omissions and may be many errors, in names, dates, &c. But taking into consideration the fact that no records have been kept in writing in most of the families and that the history here presented covers a period of 150 years, more or less, is it to be wondered at that some things are not mentioned. I have had great difficulty in getting replies to some of my letters of inquiry; I did not consider it needful to enclose stamps for reply, as I was not, by any means, to be the only gainer by the proceeding.

I know, however, that this is a step so far in the right direction and would urge that *every one* who bears the name of McCrillis, or who is connected with the family, may on seeing this work send a *complete* record of their family history as far as they are able to give it, so that I may at some future time publish another and a better "McCrillis Record."

The following I submit thinking it my duty to give the result of my search, and hoping it may stimulate to far better results in this direction in the future.

Respectfully,

H. O. MCCRILLIS.

THE McCRILLIS FAMILIES.

A curiosity to know the history of my own family name, and inquiries from others respecting the origin of our family, led me to commence in August, 1878, a search to ascertain, if possible, the facts pertaining to the history of the McCrillis family in America, trace it back to the country across the water from which the first of the family came, and compile in some visible form what records I might gather, so that there might be some enduring record to be kept among our families; for if not thus gathered into some complete form soon, the lapse of a few years would render it impossible.

The result of my exertions in this direction has not, I have many times thought, paid for the time spent in the work, yet I think I ought to give to others what little I may have gathered, as others have helped me to obtain it.

My great difficulty has been in obtaining answers to my letters, of which I have written not a few, but I must say that to some especially I owe my thanks for their kind attention and co-operation. I have not had the time or the money to spend to any great extent in going in person to search for family records, but have relied mostly on correspondence by letter with all I could hear of bearing the name, or descended from any of the name, and with some others.

Hoping that this small effort will stimulate to further inquiry, and to keeping along family records better, I submit the following:

In 1742 three brothers, William, Henry and Daniel McCrillis came to this country, probably from the North of Ireland, and settled in the towns near Portsmouth, N. H., William in Gilmanton, N. H., Henry in Nottingham, N. H., and Daniel in Lebanon, Me.

I think, although I could not prove that it was so, there was another brother named John who settled finally, with the William first named, in Coleraine, Mass. Of him I shall have occasion to speak by and by.

That these were the names of the first ancestors of our families and that they came from the place named I am quite sure, but the date 1742 may be wrong as there are records of some of the name in the country earlier than this by some years.

These people, it is stated, came from the North of Ireland; but they were not Irish; they were of Scotch descent.

The circumstances that led to the emigration of many Scotch people to North Ireland and to the emigration of their descendants from there to this country cannot, perhaps, be better told than by quoting from Sanborn's History of New Hampshire.

"Ireland was subjected to the arms of Henry II (of England) in 1171-2. He left the Irish princes in possession of their territories and bestowed some land on English adventurers appointing Earl Richard DeClare, surnamed "Strongbow," seneschal of the kingdom.

This division of imperial power disturbed the peace of the island and led to repeated rebellions. In the reign of James I, the Earl of Tyrone raised the standard of insurrection and after being once pardoned renewed the conflict, was defeated and fled to Spain. A large tract of land in the province of Ulster was confiscated and offered on liberal terms to new settlers. James, being by birth a Scotchman, induced a colony of his countrymen from Argyleshire, Scotland, to settle in Ulster, (the most northern province in Ireland) in 1612. They were Scotch Presbyterians.

During the next twenty years many clergymen of that denomination, with their flocks, emigrated to Ireland and added strength and prosperity to the colony. They were, of course, objects of intense hatred to their Irish neighbors, who only waited a convenient opportunity to rise and avenge their wrongs. In 1641 they attempted to exterminate the entire protestant population of Ireland, and so far succeeded that 40,000 of them were suddenly massacred in different parts of the island. 'No age, no sex, no condition, was spared, but death was the slightest punishment inflicted by the rebels; all the tortures which wanton cruelty could devise, all the lingering pains of body, the anguish of mind, the agony of despair, could not satiate the revenge of the Irish.' This rebellion 'dragged its slow length along' till in 1649, the sword of Cromwell avenged the blood of slaughtered saints, and by making a solitude conquered peace.

After the restoration in 1660, James the brother of Charles and a bigoted Catholic, was appointed Viceroy of Scotland. The Scotch Presbyterians were the objects of his hatred, and persecution. He let loose upon them the dogs of war, among them such monsters of cruelty as James Graham of Claverhouse. "The chief of the Tophet upon earth, a soldier of distinguished

courage and professional skill, but rapacious and profane, of violent temper and obdurate heart, who has left a name wherever the Scottish race is settled, on the face of the globe, which is mentioned with a peculiar energy of hatred. This persecution drove multitudes into exile. Large numbers fled to Ireland to join the remnant of their bretheren whom the knives of Catholic assassins had spared. Among these were many of the immediate ancestors of the Scotch Irish who came to this country in 1718 and a few years after."

Sixteen families commenced the settlement of Londonderry N. H. in 1719, but there is no mention in any Londonderry records, of anyone of the name of McCrillis. There were 120 families in all who came first to this country from the North of Ireland. They settled in the southwestern part of Maine, south N. H., and in the eastern half of Mass.

The writer thinks that the first of the name of McCrillis must have come with this company or with others who came soon after. Perhaps at several different times.

As to the character of these people, as a whole, it is universally stated that they were God fearing, quiet, industrious, and orderly. Although at first disliked by the first colonists on account of some of their customs being different from the common ways in the colonies, and because they came from Ireland, therefore being *thought* Irish, they at length won the respect and good will of all the people, who found that their coming was a gain to the communities where they settled.

They introduced the use of the spinning wheel, and the cultivation of the potato, into New Hampshire.

A great many of our most eminent men in all departments of life have descended from these people.

Identified with them were the McCrillis family—records of whom are found in Lebanon, Me., Nottingham and Deerfield, N. H., Coleraine, Boxford and Boston, Mass. As before stated there appear to have been four of the name of McCrillis who came to this country sometime between 1719 and 1742. One of them named Henry McCrillis (No. 1) settled in Nottingham, N. H. His descendants settled mostly in Southern N. H.

He had a son named John (No. 2) nearly all of whose descendants I think I can name. Whether Henry McCrillis had other children I have not been able to ascertain. John's wife's name was Margaret Harvey.



2.

*JOHN McCRILLIS, (*Henry*,¹) Children viz.:

3. William.
4. John.
5. David.
6. James.
7. Henry.

3.

WILLIAM, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,²) lived in Deerfield, N. H. Children,

8. John.
9. Reuben.
10. Andrew,—never married.
11. Moses.
12. William.
13. Hannah, m. Weeks.
14. Mary, m. Carpenter.
15. Margaret, m. Cogswell.
16. James,—had no children.

4.

JOHN, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,²) lived in Deerfield, N. H., afterward moved to Goshen. He was a blacksmith by trade and held rank as Captain in the militia under King Geo. III. Children,

17. Michael.
18. John.
19. One daughter.

5.

DAVID, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,²) lived in Canterbury, N. H., where he kept a hotel. His parents lived and died at his home, both being over ninety years old. They were buried in this town. David McCrillis held a Colonel's commission under King Geo. III. He married a Miss Moore; children,

20. Betsey, m. John T. G. Emery, living in N. H.
21. Hannah, m. Blanchard.
22. Nancy, m. Clapp.

6.

JAMES, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,²) lived in Merideth, N. H. This man had two wives; He was killed while helping to raise a barn,

23. Andrew.
- Second wife's children;
24. James.
 25. Philip.
 26. Deborah.

7.

HENRY, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,²) b. Jan. 20, 1747, was a native of Epsom, N. H., moved with his wife to Sandwich, N. H., in 1780, carrying two children, finding their way through the woods by

* Although there are numbers placed opposite the names of children it does not always signify that they are in the order of the ages, as I could not ascertain ages in many cases.

means of notched trees. He was a farmer by occupation; married a McGaffy; lived to be 56 years old. Children,

27. David.
28. John.
29. Henry.
30. Nell.
31. James, lived in Meredith, N. H.
32. Andrew, died in Rochester, N. H., aged 23, no children.
33. Jennie, m. Philbrick.
34. Margaret, m. McGarvie.
35. Betsy, m. Doten.
36. Nancy.
37. William.
38. Mary.

8

JOHN, (*Henry,¹ John,² William,³*)

39. Nathaniel D.
40. John B.
41. Andrew.

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REUBEN, (*Henry,¹ John,² William,³*)

42. Andrew Warren.
43. William.
44. Adeline.
45. Susan.
46. Hannah.
47. Martha.
48. Mary Frances.

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MOSES, (*Henry,¹ John,² William,³*) is now living in Lynn, Mass. with his son James; is an old man 79 years old, and is probably the oldest person of the name of McCrillis now living. He is, although at such an advanced age, quite well and strong. To him I am indebted for most of the information I have gathered concerning the descendants of the first John McCrillis. His children are,

49. James, dead.
50. James, now living in Lynn.
51. John.
52. Mary.
53. Harriet.
54. Elizabeth.
55. Clara.

12

WILLIAM, (*Henry,¹ John,² William,³*) had two children a boy and a girl; their names have not been obtained; the boy is dead; the girl was married and is living in Concord, N. H. Her name is Morrison.

56.

15

MARGARET, (*Henry,¹ John,² William,³*) married a man by the name of Cogswell. While preparing these records for

printing I received the sad news of her death. She died at Canterbury, N. H., June 3, aged 84 years. Leaves one daughter.

57. Susan F., lives in Hillville, N. H. •

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NATHANIEL D. (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *William*,³ *John*,⁴) living in Woburn, Mass. Children,

58. Edwin.
59. J. Walter.
60. Clarence.

40

JOHN B. (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *William*,³ *John*,⁴) is a carriage manufacturer, living in Manchester, N. H. Children.

61. J. Almon.
62. Lizzie.

41

ANDREW, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *William*,³ *John*,⁴) living in Lawrence, Mass., has one son,

63. William A.

42

JOHN, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *William*,³ *Moses*,⁴)

64. Mary Jane.
65. John Everett.

52

MARY; (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *William*,³ *Moses*,⁴) is a widow and has one daughter,

66. Addie.

17

MICHAEL, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *John*,³) b. July 15, 1778 in Deerfield, N. H., d. in Clarendon, N. Y. Aug. 17, 1859. He married in May, 1799, Sally Hancock, who was born in Northfield, N. H., May 19, 1778, d. in Peterboro, N. H., Mar. 8, 1818. He moved to Holley, N. Y. from N. H. Their children's names are,

- 67. Hannah, b. in Northfield, N. H. Feb. 7, 1800, d. in Springfield, Ill., Sept. 12, 1838.
- 68. George, b. in Northfield, N. H., June 2, 1801, d. in Holley, N. Y., Dec. 9, 1835.
- 69. Sally, b. Northfield N. H., Dec. 30, 1802; d. Peterboro, N. H., Sept. 21, 1821.
- 70. Bowdoin, b. Lempster, N. H., Feb. 22, 1805; d. Clarendon, N. Y., Oct. 21, 1876.
- 71. Martha, b. Washington, N. H., Feb. 23, 1807; m. a Mr. Moors, lives now in Holley, N. Y.
- 72. Lafayette, } d. in Washington, D. C., Nov. 30, 1876.
 } Twins; b. Washington, N. H., July 15, 1806.
- 73. Henrietta, } d. in Medford, O., April 28, 1835.
- 74. Simmons, b. Washington, N. H., Sept. 9, 1811; d. in Illinois, Aug. 19, 1832.
- 75. John, b. Peterboro, N. H., Sept. 6, 1813; resides in Holley, N. Y.
- 76. Adeline, b. Peterboro, N. H., Feb. 3, 1817; d. Foxboro, Mass., Nov. 12, 1846.



75

JOHN, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *John*,³ *Michael*,⁴) living in Holley, N. Y.; m. May 6, 1841, Elizabeth Omans, of Clarendon, N. Y., who was born Nov. 21, 1817, and died April 13, 1855. He m. at Holly, N. Y., June 8, 1856, Calista Kellogg, who was born at Moravia, N. Y., Mar. 4, 1821. First wife's children.

77. Geo. G. b. in Murray, N. Y., Mar. 3, 1842; d. in Putnam, Conn., June 13, 1871.

78. John D., b. in Murray, N. Y., Oct. 26, 1843; now resides in Carthage, Mo.; is in company with his brother Frank; they are dealers in Hardware of all kinds, Stoves, &c.

79. Marcus, b. in Clarendon, N. Y., Aug. 23, 1845; resides in Holly, N. Y.

80. Frank, b. in Murray, N. Y., Aug. 23, 1847; resides in Carthage, Mo.

81. Charles A., b. Murray, N. Y., May 6, 1852; d. Holly, N. Y., July 11, 1866.

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JOHN, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *John*,³) This man is worthy of more than a passing notice. He lived to a great age and was able, before his death, to look upon five generations of descendants. He was born in Deerfield N. H., July 15, 1773, and died Sept. 4, 1873, thus living to the great age of one hundred years one month and twenty days.

He was a blacksmith by trade, as was his father and his grandfather, and was well and strong throughout his life. He married Hannah Dowst, and reared a family of ten children, four of whom are at present living; their names are given further on. At the time of his marriage he and his wife settled in Goshen, N. H., where they lived until their death.

An amusing incident in the life of this old man is not out of place here.

He had made his home in Goshen sometime before his marriage, leaving his lady love in Deerfield, and desiring to have her with him he took two horses and went to Deerfield after her. But the parents were unwilling to let their daughter go so far away from them into the woods, as it was then. So the lovers agreed to leave for Goshen while the old folks were asleep and the maiden, getting out of the window of her room, mounted one of the horses and the pair sped away to the minister's, were married and then went to Goshen.

He remembered the Revolutionary war, being nearly three years old at the time of the Declaration of Independance, and nine years and six months old at the close of the war. He remembered seeing a cannon burst at a meeting of rejoicing, and told of incidents of the enlistment of men into the Revolutionary army who were to receive a two year old heifer each as bounty.

As a Free Mason, he was initiated and an Entered Apprentice in Mount Vernon Lodge, No. 15, April 15, 1822; passed to the degree of Fellow Craft, Aug. 26, 1822; raised to the sublime

degree of a Master Mason, Dec. 3, 1823; appointed Steward 1823, 1824, 1835, and 1836; Select Committee eleven years. Elected Honorary Member at annual communication, Apr. 7, 1878.

His hundredth birthday was celebrated in a rustic pavilion built for the occasion opposite his residence, one hundred and twenty feet long, and eighteen feet wide, with wings on each side the same width, forty feet long, seating five hundred and fifteen people, into which he walked and seemed to enjoy the occasion, seeing present 41 descendants several of the fifth generation.

For an account of this celebration and also for an account of the funeral of this venerable man I copy from the "N. H. Argus and Spectator," kindly loaned me by his son Mr. W. H. McCrillis of Newport, N. H.

"On Tuesday last Mt. Vernon Lodge, No. 15, of Free and Accepted Masons, together with a large number of citizens, under escort of the Sullivan Commandery of Knights Templars and Claremont Brass Band, proceeded to Goshen to pay their respects to, and congratulate the venerable John McCrillis of that town, a most worthy member of the fraternity, on reaching his one hundredth birthday.

On arriving at Goshen, a large pavilion, well covered with boughs and capable of seating nearly five hundred people, well supplied with edibles, was prepared by the family. The Masonic Fraternity immediately proceeded to the school house, near by, and formed a procession with Col. Nathan Huntoon of Unity, now in the ninety first year of his age, as marshal. Col. H. having, as we are informed, performed the same service upon the same spot for the company that marched from Goshen to Portsmouth during the war of 1812. He stood erect and marched with the precision and tread of a soldier of twenty-five. The procession proceeded to the pavilion where ample provision had been made for their reception. After being seated, the venerable Mr. McCrillis walked through the pavilion, supported by two of his friends, and took his seat on the platform. He appeared quite feeble, although apparently in good spirits and in the perfect possession of his mental powers. David McLaughlin, Esq., of Goshen, took general charge of affairs, while Harvey Huntoon, Esq. of Unity, Past Master of Mt. Vernon Lodge, officiated as Master Mason and presided at the table. A fervent prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Wilkin, pastor of the Methodist Church of Newport.

After the dinner had been served, A. S. Wait, Esq., of Newport, in an appropriate speech, presented Mrs. McCrillis, of Goshen, daughter-in-law of the venerable J. McCrillis and in whose family he has long resided, with a nice cake basket and pie knife as a testimonial from the ladies of Newport for her kind care and treatment of her aged father-in-law. Mrs. McCrillis made a very happy response. Miss Ayer, a great grand daughter, read a poem, written by one of the McCrillis family, well adapted to the occasion. The following ode, composed by Matthew Harvey, Esq., of Newport, was read by the author and sung by a quartette under the direction of B. R. Allen, of Newport, the audience joining in singing the chorus. Tune, New England.

We celebrate the Patriarch's birth,
Our brother, friend, and sage,
A thousand virtues tell his worth;
An hundred years his age.
The furrows on that massive brow
All speak his length of days,
And mark his steps and tell us how
In fortune's devious ways

CHORUS,—He's struggled through an hundred years,
An hundred years to-day.

Our time worn brother lived and breathed
Before our nation's birth,
Ere Washington was known among
The honored sons of earth.
He felt the Revolution's fire
That youthful bosom fill,
And saw the coming storm arise,
That burst on Bunker Hill

CHORUS,—The hero of an hundred years,
An hundred years to-day.

Touch gently, oh touch gently, God,
This vet'ran form, we pray,
Whose trembling limbs have pressed the sod
An hundred years to-day.
He softly creeps along the shore
By Jordan's peaceful wave,
Oh! waft the bark in safety o'er
To life beyond the grave.

CHORUS,—With him who's lived an hundred years,
An hundred years to-day.

To him great length of days was given
To work upon the square,
An *Ashtar* for the *Arch* of heaven
Awaits for transport there.
A *Jewel* cast in perfect mould,
An *Ornament* of yore,
In *Beauty* rare may soon unfold
To hear the *Craft* encore.

CHORUS,—We welcome home our brother, old,
An hundred years and more.

Dr. McIntire of Concord, son-in-law of Mr. McGrillis, read an interesting account, which he had written, of the venerable man's life, commencing with his emigration to Goshen from Deerfield, his native town, in 1796, at the age of 23. He came, with his wife, on horseback, she riding behind him.

After this, appropriate remarks were made by Hon. H. W. Parker of Claremont; Hon. E. B. Knight of W. Va., who happened to be present; Alex. Barton, Esq. of Brandon, Vt., an old acquaintance of Mr. McGrillis; Hon. L. W. Barton, Matthew Harvey, H. G. Carleton of Newport; and Harvey Huntton, Esq. of Unity.

The venerable Mr. McCrillis is a native of Deerfield, N. H. He is of Scotch-Irish descent—his ancestors emigrating from the North of Ireland not far from the time of the first settlement of Londonderry when so many Scotch-Irish came to this country, many of whose descendants are the most prominent and best citizens of the state. His wife died some ten or twelve years ago, during which time he has lived with his son W. H. McCrillis, Esq. He has been the father of eleven children, and has ninety one grand children, and descendants to the fifth generation; three of whom were present at the celebration.

Among the aged persons present besides Col. Huntoon, the chief marshal of the occasion, was Mrs. Sally Gilman of East Unity, now in the ninety fourth year of her age. She appeared active and smart; wore a silk dress over one hundred years old and bids fair to be a centenarian.

The citizens of Goshen, as well as the family of the centenarian, are entitled to much credit for the handsome entertainment given. All the exercises were most admirably conducted and the audience, which numbered at least one thousand, appeared to be highly gratified to see the venerable man. Many of them took him by the hand.

The company dispersed about four o'clock, the occasion being one long to be remembered."

From the N. H. Argus and Spectator, Newport, Friday, July 18, 1873.

Also from another issue of the same paper.

"The events connected with the centennial celebration of the birth of John McCrillis, Esq. at Goshen on the 15th of July last, are yet fresh in the remembrance of the one thousand persons who participated in them. We then cheerfully opened our columns for a report of that truly imposing demonstration; and to-day we sadly open them again to announce the veteran's death. He died at the residence of his son W. H. McCrillis, Esq. in Goshen, on Thursday afternoon, September fourth, at the age of *one hundred years one month and twenty days*.

As the history of Mr. McCrillis' long and unblemished life has been so recently and widely published, it is unnecessary that we should repeat it in this connection. It is perhaps sufficient to say that the tribute of respect which was paid to him on that occasion, alluded to above, was substantially repeated at his grave. The funeral, which took place last Sabbath, was attended by a very large number of relatives and friends including Mount Vernon Lodge and a large delegation from Hiram Lodge at Claremont. An impressive and eloquent sermon was delivered by Rev. Lemuel Willis of Warner, and was followed by appropriate music. The Masonic services were also well conducted under the direction of H. M. Ingram of Mount Vernon Lodge.

The centenarian has gone! But his memory, like the evergreen that covers his ashes, will long remain fresh and fragrant."

RESOLUTIONS OF MOUNT VERNON LODGE.

Whereas, Death has again entered our Lodge and stricken down our esteemed and venerable brother John McCrillis, Esq. of Goshen, therefore.

Resolved, That in this dispensation of Providence we lament the death of a brother whose life has covered more than the full circle of a century, and whose masonic virtues were commensurate with his years.

Resolved, That while this instance of mortality admonishes us that our ancient brethren are rapidly passing away, we should the more scrupulously preserve and imitate the moral purity which they have inculcated.

Resolved. That as brother McCrillis was in our belief, the oldest Free Mason in this state we commend the fact of his removal from our Fraternity by the hand of death, to the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, where in our opinion, a suitable tribute should be recorded to his memory.

I have the names of four of the children of John McCrillis, as follows :

- 82. William H.
- 83. Ozem.
- 84. Margaret, m. Dr. H. G. McIntire, of Concord, N. H.
- 85. Pulaski.

82

WILLIAM H. (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *John*,³ *John*,⁴) lives in Newport, N. H. Has one son,
86. John.

85

PULASKI, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *John*,³ *John*,⁴) Children.
87. Charles P., living at present in Dexter, Me.

20

BETSEY EMERY, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *David*,³) married John T. G. Emery, who is still living at an advanced age. She became the mother of fifteen children, two of whom I can speak, viz:

- 88. Henry Emery, proprietor of the Merrimac House, Lowell, Mass.
- 89. Enoch P. Emery, for more than twenty years editor of the "Transcript" in Peoria, Ill., and for a year and a half before his death editor of the "Daily Peorian." Died aged sixty years, May 30, 1882.

21

HANNAH BLANCHARD, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *David*,³) married a Blanchard.

- 90. Nathan, her son, is living on the old place in Canterbury, where his grandparents and great grandparents lived and died.

23

ANDREW, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³) born Aug. 21, 1775, in Meredith, N. H. Moved to Cornville, Me. Died Feb. 27, 1856. Children,

- 91. James.
- 92. Joseph P.
- 93. John, living in Skowhegan, Me., is a boot and shoe dealer.
- 94. Betsey.
- 95. Sarah.
- 96. Roxana.
- 97. Andrew.
- 98. Darius.
- 99. Randall.

98

DARIUS, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³ *Andrew*,⁴) is a farmer lives in Cornville, Me. Children.

100. John F., living in Neponset, Mass.

101. Alonzo, Jr.

102. Frank E.

Three daughters whose names I do not know.

92

JOSEPH P., (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³ *Andrew*,⁴) Children.

103. Joseph M., lives in Dexter, Me.

104. Nathaniel L., b. in Skowhegan, Me., Sept. 1838. Served in the Union army 3 years and 11 mos.; resides now in Dexter, Me. He is a manufacturer of clothing.

105. Daniel, lives in Dexter, Me.

24

JAMES, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³) born in Meredith, N. H., Jan. 1780. Went from there to Belfast, Me. He was called Dea. James McCrillis. Died Jan. 18, 1856.

25

PHILIP, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³.) Children.

106. Benjamin.

107. James.

108. John.

109. Philip.

110. Mary.

111. Deborah.

112. Asenath.

106

BENJAMIN, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³ *Philip*,⁴) Children.

113. George S., lives in or near Boston. He is in company with a Mr. Kendall (firm styled McCrillis & Kendall) and deals in mattresses, spring beds, &c. He was in the Union Army in the War of the Rebellion.

114. Hiram.

107

JAMES, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³ *Philip*,⁴) Children.

115. James.

116. Charles.

117. George.

118. Mary Jane.

119. Phoebe.

120. Lydia.

121. Asenath.

122. Arrilla.

108

JOHN, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³ *Philip*,⁴) Children.

123. Allen Fernando.

124. Adelbert.

125. John, Jr.

126. Charles.

127. Asenath.

109

PHILIP, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³ *Philip*.⁴) Children.

- 128. Philip.
- 129. John R., lives in Marlboro, Mass.
- 130. Caroline.
- 131. Mary Jane.

128

PHILIP, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³ *Philip*,⁴ *Philip*.⁵) Children.

- 133. Curtis E., b. in 1851.
 - 134. Ransom F., b. in 1854—is living in Danvers, Mass.—is in the grocery business; firm of Smart & McCrillis.
 - 135. William B., b. in 1865.
 - 136. Lizzie E., b. in 1868.
- All except Ransom are living in Meredith, N. H.

123

ALLEN FERNANDO, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *James*,³ *Philip*,⁴ *John*,⁵) born in Oct., 1838. He was a soldier in the late war, being a member of Company A., 1st Mass. Reg't, which went out in 1861. He was a prisoner of war in the summer of 1862. Afterward, at the battle of Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863, he was wounded and died from the effects of his wounds, July 27, 1863. He left one son, born in 1861, who is now living with his mother in Boston, name,

- 132. Allen Fernando.

27

DAVID, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *Henry*,³) lived in Waterville, Me., died aged 88 years. Children,

- 137. Alonzo.
 - 138. David.
 - 139. Mrs. S. J. Scribner, one of his daughters, is, I think, now living in Waterville, Me.
 - 140. Mrs. Henry Towle, who married Henry Towle of Boston, provision dealer. They have a son named E. D. Towle, who is a minister, formerly Methodist but now Unitarian.
- Both of the sons of David McCrillis were lawyers, one, Alonzo, being of the firm of Jordan & McCrillis of Great Falls, N. H. David of W. H. & D. McCrillis of Bangor, Me. They were both successful as lawyers. Both died young; David at the age of 26 leaving \$10,000 to his parents. Alonzo was killed by being thrown from his carriage while on his way to town meeting.

28

JOHN, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *Henry*,³) was a physician, and lived in Wakefield, N. H.; died at the age of 83 years. Children,

- 141. Hon. William H. McCrillis, lawyer, Bangor, Me.
- 142. Mrs. Griswold.

141

HON. WILLIAM H. (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *Henry*,³ *John*,⁴) was born in Georgetown, Me., Nov. 4, 1813. He studied law with Messrs. Allen & Appleton, in Bangor, was admitted to the Bar in Kennebec County and commenced practice in Bangor in 1834. A ready speaker, with a keen intellect and a determination to succeed, Mr. McCrillis, early made himself known at the Bar. His practice became large and profitable, and for many years he has been a leading lawyer in the county and state. In 1838 he was appointed County Attorney, of Penobscot county, by Gov. Kent, and held the office while the Whigs were in power. He was in the same year elected by the Republicans of Bangor to the House of Representatives of Maine, and was re-elected in 1859-1860. Of late years he has not been in public political life. He is now one of the wealthy prominent men of Bangor.

29

HENRY, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *Henry*,³) lived in Montville, Me.; was a physician. He had no children.

30

NEIL, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *Henry*,³) b. Mar. 31, 1792. He lived on the home farm in Sandwich, N. H.; died in 1878, aged 87 years. Children,

- 143. William. He lives at the old homestead. He was born April 30, 1821.
- 144. Mary.
- 145. Sarah.

143

WILLIAM, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *Henry*,³ *Neil*,⁴) lives at N. Sandwich, N. H. Children,

- 146. Francella.
- 147. Abbie.
- 148. Mary.
- 149. Alonso.
- 150. Sarah.
- 151. William.

35

ELIZABETH DOTEN, (*Henry*,¹ *John*,² *Henry*,³) married a physician by the name of Doten, who died a number of years ago, since which time and until her death, she has lived with her daughter, Mrs. S. J. Goldsmith, in Nashua, N. H. and Lowell, Mass. She died at Lowell Oct. 22, 1882, aged 53 years.

- 152. Mrs. S. J. Goldsmith. Has been an occasional writer for papers and also engaged in temperance work, as a public speaker.
- 153. Mrs. J. H. Adams.

Descendants of Daniel McCrillis.

It has already been stated that there were four original settlers of the name of McCrillis. The names of the descendants of Henry we have in the foregoing pages. The descendants of Daniel McCrillis (154) are as follows :

154

DANIEL MCCRILLIS, is said to have settled in Lebanon, Maine. Children.

155. John.

156. Robert.

Four daughters whose names I do not know.

155

JOHN, (*Daniel*,¹) Children.

157. John, settled in East Rochester, N. H.

158. Daniel, settled in N. Berwick, Me.

157

JOHN, (*Daniel*,¹ *John*,²) He was born in Lebanon, Me., March 15, 1779 ; settled in E. Rochester, N. H.

I am not quite sure that I have named the right ancestor for the following but there is strong evidence that I am right. The date of his death I do not know. He married for his first wife Lydia Shorey. Children.

159. George,

160. Annie.

161. George.

162. William

163. John,

164. James.

165. Abigail.

166. Daniel.

167. Daniel.

168. Doreas.

169. Calvin.

170. Jane.

His second wife's name was Mary Rankin; Children.

171. Lewis, b. March 16, 1824.

172. Eli C., b. May 8, 1825.

173. Mary.

174. Sallie.

175. Lydia.

176. David.

172

ELI C. (*Daniel*,¹ *John*,² *John*,³) born in Lebanon, Me., May 8, 1825. He married Dorcas Tibbetts who was born in Berwick, Me., May 26, 1832. Children.

- 177. Edwin A., b. in Lebanon, Me., Feb. 26, 1853.
- 178. Lizzie H., b. in Lebanon, Me., Sept. 22, 1854.
- 179. Amelia A., b. in Lebanon, Me., July 19, 1858.
- 180. Blanche M., b. in Dunbarton, N. H., May 5, 1862.
- 181. Ezekiel L., b. in Dunbarton, N. H., May 4, 1865.
- 182. Jennie C., b. in Dunbarton, N. H., Nov. 9, 1867.
- 183. Edith D., { Twins; b. in Dunbarton, N. H., June 9, 1876.
- 184. Abbie F., {

177

EDWIN A., (*Daniel*,¹ *John*,² *John*,³ *Eli C.*,⁴) He was born in Lebanon, Me., Feb. 26, 1853; is now living in Dunbarton, N. H. He is a carpenter. His first wife's name was Ida F. Burpee. The name of his second wife was Nellie A. Heath. They have one child.

- 185. Ida A., b. in Dunbarton, N. H., Oct. 26, 1880.

158

DANIEL, (*Daniel*,¹ *John*,²) Children,

- 186. Robert.
- 187. William, went West.
- 188. Daniel.

188

DANIEL, (*Daniel*,¹ *John*,² *Daniel*,³) Is now living and is 71 years old. Children,

- 189. Melvin C., is living in or near Boston; his place of business is at the Faneuil Hall Market. He is married and has children.

Daniel McCrillis^{1 2 4} had, as has been stated, two sons, John and Robert. John's descendants we have traced.

156

ROBERT, (*Daniel*,¹) went from New Hampshire to Clinton, Vermont, and is the ancestor of all the Vermont families of the name of McCrillis. He was of the second generation in this country. He lived, died, and was buried on the old farm which he owned. His age at death I have not learned. Children.

- 190. Stephen.
- 191. Daniel.
- 192. Robert.
- 193. John Kenny.
- 194. Betsey, m. a man by the name of Gentleman.

190

STEPHEN, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,²) born in Corinth, Vt., May 10, 1772; died in Marshfield, Nov. 17, 1865, aged 93 years. He married Mary Kent, who died in Marshfield, June 27, 1855, aged 75 years. Children.

- 196. Jacob.
- 196. Nancy.
- 197. Mary.
- 198. Huldah.
- 199. Robert.
- 200. David.
- 201. Rachel.
- 202. Luthera.
- 203. John.
- 204. Daniel.
- 205. Rosilla.

195

JACOB, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) died by his own hand, at Marshfield, April 3, 1853; married Temperance Moore. Children.

- 206. Chester.
- 207. Evans.
- 208. Julia.

196

NANCY CHACE, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) lived in Tops- ham, Vt.; married Stephen Chace. Children.

- 209. Mary Sarah.
- 210. Hannah.
- 211. Clementina.
- 212. Louisa.

197

MARY LESSOR, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) married Joseph Lessor of Quebec. Children.

- 213. Orlando.
- 214. Joseph L.
- 215. Stephen.
- 216. John L.
- 217. Alec.
- 218. Alphonso.
- 219. Carloline.

198

HULDAH CORA, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) married Ira Cora; had three children; two of them were killed in the war of the rebellion.

199

ROBERT, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) married Eliza Bur- chard of Sherbrook, Canada, who is now a widow, living in Marshfield, Vt. Robert McCrillis was, I think, in the war of the rebellion, where he lost his life. Children.

- 220. Frederic, m. Sophia Laird; they had three children—girls
- 221. Edward, m. Laura Burnham; they had two sons.
- 222. Eliza, m. Geo. Worthen; they had four children; one died young.
- 223. Jennie, m. Geo. Chace; had one son.
- 224. Henry, m. Betsey Heath.
- 225. Jacob, m. Cordella Goodell.
- 226. Ellen, is unmarried; lives with her mother in Marshfield, Vt.
- 227. Erl, only fourteen years old when he went to the war; starved to death in some prison at the South.
- 228. Lester, died young.

200

DAVID, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) lived in Marshfield, Vt.; married Ruth M. Washburn, of Woodstock, Vt., to whom the writer is indebted for this record of the family of Stephen McCrillis. David McCrillis was the eldest son of Stephen. Children.

- 229. George G., m. Mary Chandler, of Peterboro, N. H.; they had two children.
- 230. Melvin, who is a harness maker in Marshfield, Vt., m. Cornelia Eddy; had no children.
- 231. Rufus F., unmarried; was a soldier in the late war, in the artillery service; was killed at Baton Rouge, La.; was 25 years old.
- 232. Josie A., m. H. W. Munn, was divorced and afterward m. A. M. Gilbert of Marysville, O.; she died Jan. 4, 1879.
- 233. Levi D., died in infancy.
- 234. Levi D., m. Emma Connor and lived in Cabot, Vt.; had one son Clifton W.

203

JOHN, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) married a Miss Bemis. Children.

- 235. Erastus, of Orange, Vt.
- 236. John, of Wellfleet, Mass.
- 237. Daniel, of Mass.
- 238. Mary, of Mass.

John McCrillis, senior, died in Mass.

201

RACHEL WOOD, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) married Van Ransselaer Wood. They had two sons.

202

LUTHERA JOHNSON, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) married Daniel Johnson of Milford, Mass. Children.

- 239. Roswell, unmarried.
- 240. Ellen.
- 241. Alvah, killed in the late war, aged 20 years.

204

DANIEL, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) married in Milford, Mass.; committed suicide by shooting himself.

205

ROSILLA STICKNEY, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Stephen*,³) married a Mr. Stickney and moved South. They had one son Eugene, who died in Mass., at the age of 2 years.

191

DANIEL, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,²) He was born in N. H. in 1775, in January, and must have gone with his father and mother to Vt. at an early age. Has been dead 27 years. Children.

- 242. Hannah, m. Daniel Pike; had one daughter.
- 243. Betsey, m. Ephraim Woolson; lived in Plainfield, Vt.
- 244. Daniel, died young.
- 245. Evans.
- 246. Amos H.
- 247. Aaron, never married.
- 248. Samuel.

246

AMOS H., (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Daniel*,³) The writer knows but little about the descendants of the children of Daniel McCrillis, last mentioned, but Amos H. had one son, at least, who is now living in Providence, R. I.

- 249. A. B. McCrillis, who is engaged in the wholesale flour and grain trade.

245

EVANS, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Daniel*,³) lived in Vermont; has been dead about 12 years. His daughter, Mrs. Locke, is now living in Corinth, Vt.

- 250. Mrs. M. A. Locke.

192

ROBERT, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,²) Children.

- 251. Brigham.
- 252. Hepsibeth.
- 253. William.
- 254. Sally.
- 255. Susan.
- 256. Robert.
- 257. Abigail.

251

BRIGHAM, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Robert*,³) Children.

- 258. Martin.
- 259. Mylo.
- 260. Harriet.

252

HEPSIBETH, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Robert*,³) Her husband's name has not been obtained. Children.

- 261. George.
- 262. Moses.
- 263. William.
- 264. Abigail.
- 265. Francis.

253

WILLIAM, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Robert*,³) Children.

- 266. Lucinda.

254

SALLY, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Robert*.³) Her husband's name has not been obtained. Children.

- 267. Jerusha.
- 268. Simon.
- 269. Caroline.

255

SUSAN, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Robert*.³) Do not know her husband's name. One child.

- 270. Amasa.

256

ROBERT, JR., (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Robert*.³) married Sally Ford, to whom I am indebted for the record of Robert McChrillis, senior, family. Children.

- 271. Lavinia.
- 272. John.
- 273. Arvilla.
- 274. Elvira.
- 275. Harriet.
- 276. Lucinda.
- 277. Cynthia.
- 278. Israel.
- 279. Mary.
- 280. George.
- 281. Lucinda.

193

JOHN K., (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,²) was born in Lebanon, Me., Feb. 3, 1785, and died in Topsham, Vt., Feb. 7, 1868. Children.

- 282. Joseph E., b. in Corinth, Vt., Mar. 20, 1808.
- 283. John, b. in Corinth, Vt., May 21, 1810.
- 284. Robert, b. in Corinth, Vt., March 15, 1812.
- 285. Lewis, b. in Topsham, Vt., April 17, 1814.
- 286. Hannah, b. in Corinth, Vt., April 3, 1817; unmarried; is dead.
- 287. Abigail, b. in Corinth, Vt., Feb. 2, 1819.

282

JOSEPH, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³) born in Corinth, Vt. March 20, 1808; is now living in De Soto, Wis. Children—by first wife.

- 287. Joseph R.

By second wife.

- 288. John H.
- 289. Robert E.
- 290. Sally A.
- 291. Hannah E.
- 292. Isabella I.

283

JOHN, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³) born in Corinth, Vt., May 21, 1810; is now living in Middleboro, Mass.; married at Fall River, Mass., June 17, 1843, Sarah A. Coggeshall of Tiverton, R. I.

Children.

293. John S. b. in Fall River, Mass., May 23, 1844.
 294. Annie C. b. in Fall River, Mass., May 4, 1846.
 295. Mary E., b. in Fall River, Mass., November 7, 1848.
 296. Herbert A. b. in Fall River, Mass., July 18, 1861.
 297. Herbert O. b. in Grafton, Mass., May 15, 1854.
 298. Frank A., b. in Grafton, Mass., May 10, 1857.
 299. Walter C., b. in Grafton, Mass., December 20, 1863.

293

JOHN S. (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³ *John*,⁴) lives in Marlboro, Mass.; is a shoe finisher, by trade.; married Miss Hettie Bumpus of Lakeville, Mass. Children.

300. Merton L. C., b. in Brockton, Mass., July 2, 1872.
 301. John Merle b. in Marlboro, Mass., February 21, 1882; d. October 1, 1882.

294

ANNIE C., (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³ *John*,⁴) married Henry A. Wesson, and lives now in Chattanooga, Tenn. Children.

302. Annie Isabel b. in Grafton, Mass., December 21, 1866.
 303. Gertrude Edith b. in Grafton, Mass., April 4, 1872.

295

MARY E., (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³ *John*,⁴) is unmarried; is living in Middleboro, Mass.

296

HERBERT A., (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³ *John*,⁴) died in infancy.

297

HERBERT O., (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³ *John*,⁴) the compiler of these records, is a graduate of Bridgewater Normal School; is now employed as a clerk in the counting room of A. Field & Sons, Tack Manufacturers, Taunton, Mass. He married, Dec. 24, 1880, Miss Minnie J. Wilber of Taunton. They have one daughter.

304. Jennie b. in Taunton, Mass., June 21, 1882.

298

FRANK A., (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³ *John*,⁴) lives in Brockton, Mass.; is unmarried.

299

WALTER C., (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³ *John*,⁴) lives with his parents in Middleboro, Mass.

284

ROBERT, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³) born in Corinth, Vt. March 15, 1812; is living at Waits River, Vt. Children.

- 305. R. O. McCrillis,
- 306. Mary S., m. S. K. Dexter, of Lowell, Mass.
- 307. E. D., m. I. Hutchinson, Orange, Vt.
- 308. A. D., m. I. T. Carter, Lowell, Mass.

287

ABIGAIL REDDING, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John K.*,³) born in Corinth, Vt., Feb. 2, 1819; married John Redding, and now lives in Fiskdale, Mass. Children.

- 309. Hannah Sophia, b. Oct. 12, 1841.
- 310. Abbie Elizabeth, b. Aug. 30, 1843.
- 311. Emily Jane, b. Sept. 4, 1845.
- 312. Ella Maria, b. Oct. 28, 1847.
- 313. Lella Ann, b. Sept. 15, 1851.
- 314. John Franklin, b. Oct. 10, 1853.

The Coleraine Branch.

The descendants of John and William McCrilis remain to be spoken of.

John and William appear to have come with their brothers, Henry and Daniel, to New Hampshire, and, after living there a short time, moved to what is now Coleraine, Mass.

315

JOHN MCCRILIS, The date and place of his birth have not been ascertained. This is true of all the four brothers who were the first settlers of our name. The writer has not been able to ascertain the exact place whence they came, where they landed, or what ship they came in, although many inquiries have been made. John McCrilis' wife's name was Sarah. Children.

- 316. John.
- 317. William.
- 318. Esther.

The town records show that the death of John McCrilis occurred Nov. 30, 1759. He left a will, a copy of which is given below:

In the name of God, Amen.

I, John McCrilis, of Colrain, so called, Husbandman, being very sick, and weak of body, but of a disposing mind and perfect memory, thanks be given unto God, calling unto mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament: That is to say, principally and first of all, I give and recommend my Soul into the hand of Almighty God, that gave it, & my body I recommend to the earth, to be buried in decent Christian burial, at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting but at the general resurrection, I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God: And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life. I give, devise, & dispose of the same in the following manner & form:

Inprimis. I give and bequeath to Sarah, my dearly beloved wife, all my notes of hand for money, & money in possession: four Cows which she has chosen, & summers keeping for them. My house & all the household furniture, & all the orcharding: The third part of the produce of my farm in Indian Corn. Wheat, Rye, Oats, Hay, &c., & the third part of the sheeps wool, to be laid in annually for her food & raiment while she lives.

Item. I give to my well beloved son William McCrillis, all that lot of land which he now possesses & whereon he lives, freely by him to be possessed & enjoyed, provided that he pay within two years after my decease, to his sister Margaret Wells of Greenfield, and her son, Ten pounds lawful money; or to the value of it in anything which they may agree upon.

Item. I give to my well beloved son John McCrillis, all the remaining part of my real estate in this place, whether bought formerly, or more lately, by him to be possessed and enjoyed; together with all the remaining part of the great and small cattle, Plows, & plow irons, Chains, Dragg & all other utensils, on or about the premises, provided notwithstanding, that he pay over the following bequestments: First, to his sister Esther McC. Lucas in the space of one year after my decease, Ten shillings in lawful money. Also to his niece Sarah Pennel now with me, at the age of eighteen years, one good bed & bed cloathes, & all other cloathes for wearing & attending publick worship. decent and handsome, provided she lives with him, till that term; also a good cow.

Also to his nephews, Isaac and Archibald Pennel now with me as follows, viz: To each of them at the age of fourteen or sixteen years one pair of Steers, two years and six months old at least, provided they live with him till the expiration of any one of the aforementioned terms, and all necessary cloathing at ye discretion of my executors.

And last of all, I nominate, ordain & appoint, Mess Thomas Morris & James Breakenbridge, both of Colrain, so called, the sole executors of this my last will & testament, and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke, & disanull all & every other former Testaments, Wills, Legacies, Bequests, and Executors, by me in any ways before named, willed and bequeathed, ratifying & Confirming this, & no other, to be my last will & testament.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this nineteenth day of September, 1759.

JOHN MCCRILIS. [SEAL.]

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced, & declared, by the said John McCrillis, as his last will and testament, in the presence of us, who in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereto subscribed our names.

SAMUEL E. AYER.
MATTHEW BOLTON.
ALEXANDER McDOWELL.

Probate Office, Northampton, May 23, A. D. 1879.

A true copy. Attest.

Register.

He mentioned in his will nephews and neices by the name of Pennell. That makes it appear that he must have had a sister who married a Pennell, although no record of any of that name coming to this country has been found.

The gravestones of John and his son John are yet standing in the old graveyard at Coleraine, but the inscriptions on them are nearly illegible.

316

JOHN, (*John*,¹.) Was one of the patentees of the town of Salem, N. Y., but never resided there. He married Oct. 23, 1760 Hannah McConkey. Was drowned in the Conn. river, May 27, 1765, while out with his brother-in-law William Lucas. He left a widow and three children.

- 319. Sarah, b. Nov. 30, 1761.
- 320. Rebecca, b. July 11, 1763.
- 321. Mary, b. Jan. 27, 1765.

All born in Coleraine. Of the descendants of his children the writer has no record.

317

WILLIAM, (*John*,¹.) Called Dea. William; his wife's name was Eleanor. She died February 23, 1783, aged 45 years and was buried in Coleraine. Their children were,

- 322. Jane, b. Apr. 18, 1764.
- 323. Eleanor, b. Feb. 18, 1768.
- 324. John P., b. June 13, 1770.
- 325. James, b. Apr. 19, 1772.
- 326. Robert, b. Feb. 25, 1774.
- 327. William, b. Apr. 30, 1776.

Dea. William McCrillis³¹⁷ was in the Revolutionary war, going from Coleraine to the Bennington battle. His name appears on a military pay roll.

318

ESTHER LUCAS, (*John*,¹.) Married William Lucas. Of their children no account has been obtained.

Another of the four brothers was named William. As has been said he came with John to Coleraine.

328

WILLIAM. The date and place of his birth are unknown to the writer. He married Jemima Mehany. Below is a copy of the marriage license.

"By his Excellency John Wentworth, Esq., Captain General, Governor, and Commander-in-Chief in & over His Majesty's Province of New Hampshire, &c.

To either of the ordained Ministers of the Gospel in said Province & to them only; You are hereby Authorized and Impowered to join together in holy Matrimony William McCrillis of Colrain in the County of Hampshire & Jemima Mehany of Colrain aforesaid, unless some lawful Impediment appears to you to the contrary.

Given at Portsmouth the Eighth Day of October, 1770.

No. 354.

J. WENTWORTH."

The writer finds among the records of the Scotch-Irish (Religious) Society of Boston, an item like this:

"Married."

"William McCrilis & Jannet McClure."

Who this William McCrilis was is not exactly determined, but the idea that he was the William McCrilis of Coleraine seems most reasonable and that Jannet McClure was his first wife.

A fact which seems to bear this out is, that under date of "Aug. 15, 1749, Hugh Morison, of a place called Cold Rain, for one thousand pounds, old tenor, sold William McCrilis of Boston in the County of Suffolk, husbandman, three hundred acres of land in Cold Rain."

Other records concerning Wm. McCrilis say under date "Northampton the fifth of Dec. 1781 the Hon. Eleazer Potter Esq., Judge of the Probate of Wills, &c. for & within the County of Hampshire," appointed Jemima McCrilis and David Harroun to be guardians unto Martha McCrilis aged nine years, Elizabeth McCrilis aged six years & William McCrilis aged sixteen months, children and heirs of William McCrilis, late of "Coldrain," in said county.

Another record is a title deed given by Wm. Clark of Coleraine in 1784, conveying twelve acres of land to Jemima McCrilis, Spinster, and David Harroun, gentlemen, both of Colrain, for the sum of nineteen pounds and eight shillings.

The children of Wm. and Jemima McCrilis were:

329. Martha, b. 1772; d. in 1852, unmarried.

330. Elizabeth, b. Aug. 2, 1774; d. June 9, 1839.

331. William Jr., d. Sept. 10, 1849, aged 70 years.

Another son is named who was probably a son of William and Janet McCrilis (his first wife) who died April 13, 1765, aged 20 years. William McCrilis Sr. died Nov. 3, 1781, aged 74 years. His wife Jemima McCrilis died March 11, 1812.

330

ELIZABETH COOMBS, (*William*,¹) married Jonathan Coombs. They had five children—two sons and three daughters.

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WILLIAM COOMBS, (*William*,¹ *Elizabeth*,²) born July 17, 1810; the eldest of the family, corresponded with the writer and furnished him valuable information.

But it becomes a painful duty to record his death, which occurred July 2, 1880.



The names of his children are:

- 333. Jane E.,
- 334. Henry W.,
- 335. Edwin W.,
- 336. Robert M.,
- 337. Mary A.,
- 338. Sara B.,

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WILLIAM, J R., (*William*,¹) had four sons and six daughters.

- 339. Margaret m. Elsie Pike.
- 340. William d. in N. Y. aged 26.
- 341. Josephine m. Levi White, Wilmington, Vt.,
- 342. Eliza d. aged 29.
- 343. James d. in infancy.
- 344. John d. in infancy.
- 345. Jennina m. Isaac Stetson, d. aged 55.
- 346. Martha m. William Weeks, Central City Iowa.
- 347. Daniel lives in Central City Ia.
- 348. Mary d. aged 25.

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SUPPLEMENT.

In the foregoing pages we have the records of the descendants of four persons. These records are in a connected form, and each person can trace his ancestry back to the first who came to this country. In the following pages the reader will find:—

1. Records of families coming to this country at a later period.
 2. Records of families and individuals whose connection with the families before named was not traceable.
 3. Records of families, before noticed, concerning whom fuller information has been received since preparing the preceding pages for the press.
 4. Isolated statements.
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Maccrellish.

There have been later emigrations of the people of the McCrillis family, but the name is spelled *Maccrellish*. Which name is correct has not been ascertained, but those spelling their names the latter way came to this country at a later date than those of the former name.

Four brothers, spelling their names in this way, came to this country before the war of the Revolution.

Their branch of the family went from Scotland, sometime before, to the North of Ireland for reasons stated in the first pages of this book. These brothers went back to Paisley, Scotland, whence they came to America. Three of them fought in the Revolutionary war under Washington.

After the war the brothers sent for their father.

They lived in Philadelphia, whence in the latter part of the last century they scattered over the country.

The eldest brother had children (girls) who married and lived in Philadelphia.

Another brother had four sons the youngest of whom is at present the publisher of the "*Daily Alta California*," a news paper of San Francisco, Cal. His name is Frederick Maccrellish.³⁴⁹ Two of his brothers are married ; one has two sons.

It would be interesting to trace the genealogy of this branch of the family.

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Archibald Maccrellish came from Antrim County N. Ireland. He landed in this country 4th July 1800. Has been dead about twenty two years. His business was that of a chandler which he carried on very successfully in Philadelphia, Pa.

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William Maccrellish, a grandson of Archibald, lives in Trenton N. J. He is a printer, in company with a man named Quigley; the style of the firm is Maccrellish & Quigley.

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John McCrellis lived in Boxford Mass., where he paid a ministers tax in the 2d parish in 1739, 1740, 1741, and 1742, and a town tax of 5 shillings and 9 pence (5 shillings and 3 pence poll tax and 6 pence for personal property,) in 1739.

He also paid in that year a province tax of 3 shillings and 3 pence (3 s and 1 d for poll tax and 2 d for real estate.) He also paid a town tax in 1738 of 3 shillings and 5 pence.

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His son John was baptized Jan. 6 1739.

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William MacCreelers (as the name was spelled) was taxed in Boxford in 1738 a poll tax of 3 shillings and 3 pence. He also paid a minister's tax in the second parish in 1739.

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James McCrellis had a son James,³⁵⁶ baptized in Boxford July 30 1738.

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JOHN and WILLIAM MCCRILLIS settled in Nottingham N. H., early.

John settled in the Kelsey neighborhood, and his son David³⁵⁸ succeeded him.

He had a son, John³⁵⁹ by name, who had one child, viz:

359. John.

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JOHN, (*John*,¹ *David*,² *John*,³) whose children were:

361. Sarah m. Mark Gile,

362. John.

363. Mary.

364. Jane.

365. David.

The last (David) had two children, viz:

366. John.

367. Mary who m. Eben Gerrish.

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JAMES MCCRELLIAS. He had one son.

369. John.

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JOHN MCCRELLIAS, born in Mt. Pleasant, Pa.; married Daniels. Children.

370. John b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa., May 14 1838.

371. William, b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa., July 24 1839.

372. James b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa. Aug. 10 1841.

373. Annie E. b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa., May 3 1844.

374. Emily b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa., May 15 1845.

375. Simon b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa., Oct. 11 1847.

376. Lavinia b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa., Nov. 18 1853.

377. Foster b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa., Sept. 21 1854.

378. Charles.

379. Righter.

380. Sarah M., b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa., April 11 1857.

381. Peter b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa., June 18 1858.

382. Belle b. in Mt. Pleasant Pa., Aug. 19 1859.

383. Mollie.

384. Richard.

The father and mother, Annie E., Charles and Sarah M. are dead.

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LEWIS, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *John*, *K.*,³) born in Topsham, Vt. April 17, 1814.; married Florella E Smith, July 3, 1837. Now living at Brimfield, Mass. Children.

385. Martin L., b. Nov 25 1838, m. Ellen Mitchell.

386. Ellen M., b. Jan. 25 1846, m. Azor Barlow.

387. Orlin T., b. July 8 1848, m. Clara Copp.

388. Eugene L., b. July 4 1851.

389. Clara F., b. Nov. 16 1853, m. Charles Adams.

390. Charles N., b. Feb. 18 1856, m. Lizzie Cleverly. She is not living.

391. Ida E. b. Sept. 3 1860, m. Herbert Healy.

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EVANS, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Daniel*,³) See page 23 where this man is spoken of. Children.

- 392. Albert B.,
- 393. Dearborn B.,
- 394. Aaron.
- 395. Charles B.,
- 396. Daniel E.,
- 397. Mary A.,
- 398. Charlotte A.,

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ALBERT B., (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Daniel*,³ *Evans*,⁴) Children.

- 399. Ella A., b. in Rindge, N. H., ——— 1848.
- 400. Edwin A., b. in Corinth Vt., July 11 1850, resides in Lowell, Mass.
- 401. Hattie A., b. in Corinth Vt., Nov. 19 1857, resides in Hopkinton, Mass.

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SAMUEL, (*Daniel*,¹ *Robert*,² *Daniel*,³) Children.

- 402. Sarah J., m. H. M. Richardson, resides in Rochester, Minn.

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LORENZO S. I cannot name his ancestry. Children.

- 404. Hattie M.,
- 405. George H.,
- 406. William L.,

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CLARENCE HENRY. I am unable to name his ancestors. He has one child.

- 408. Ethel B.,

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CLARA (McCrillis) STETSON, married Isaac Stetson of Ashfield, Mass., Dec. 6, 1832.

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JOSEPHINE WHITE, (*William*,¹ *William, Jr.*,²) married Levi White of Wilmington, Vt. Children.

- 410. James L.

There are many persons of the name of McCrillis with whom I have corresponded, but from whom I have not received any answers, in most cases; I am not able, as will appear, to state their ancestry. From one I have heard, but no information was given by which I can trace his lineage.

It is hoped that this book may help these persons to find out their own family records, although their names do not appear in it.

There are several portraits which would have been placed in the book if the expense could have been paid.

This book is respectfully submitted, claimed not to be without errors, but hoped to be nearly correct.

ERRATA.

On page 9, No. 11, Moses McCrillis; age is 89 years, not 70 as printed.

On page 15, No. 89 read Peoria instead of Perola.

On page 15, No. 90 read Nahum instead of Nathan.

On page 16, No. 124 read Arvilla not Arrilla.

On page 21, No. 219 read Caroline not Carloline.

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